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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Hiroshi MORISAKI et al.

Group Art Unit: 2617

Application No.: 10/809,411

Examiner: E. IWUCHUKWU

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Docket No.: 119283

For: DATA PROCESSING SYSTEM

SUMMARY OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicants' representative conducted a personal interview with Examiner Iwuchukwu on July 27, 2006. Applicants appreciate the courtesies shown to Applicants' representative during the July 27 personal interview. Applicants' separate record of a summary of the substance of the personal interview is contained in the following remarks.

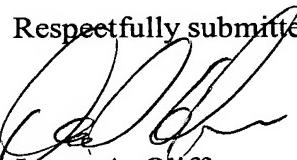
Applicants' representative began the personal interview by drawing Examiner Iwuchukwu's attention to Applicants' Amendment filed on July 7, 2006. With reference to that Amendment, Applicants' representative specifically reviewed the amended claim features in the independent claims indicating that the sub-terminal device comprises a data reading unit that reads the request data stored in the data storing unit when the request data is stored in the data storing unit; a data generating unit that generates the implementation data based on the request data read by the reading unit; and an implementation data transmitting unit that transmits the implementation data generated by the data generating unit to the main terminal device. Applicants' representatives indicated that by displacing the functions to the sub-

terminal device the main terminal device need not contain all of the processing power, but rather certain significant processing would be undertaken by the sub-terminal device.

Applicants' representatives then traversed the prior art rejections of the Office Action over U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2004/0174561 A1 to Fukunaga et al. (hereinafter "Fukunaga"), alone or in combination with other varyingly applied prior art references. Specifically, Applicants' representative argued that Fukunaga cannot reasonably be considered to teach, or even to have suggested, a sub-terminal device including the specific functionalities positively recited in the independent claims.

Examiner Iwuchukwu indicated that he would consider Applicants' July 7 Amendment in light of the arguments presented during the personal interview.

Should any questions arise regarding this correspondence, all inquiries may be directed to Applicants' undersigned representatives at the telephone number set forth below.

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